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New Grass Roots: A new organization is being readied this week that bears promise of transforming the political landscape of the country. The facts which suggest the reason for creating such an organization have been inspiring lively discussion among political pros and writers in Washington for some weeks. They are:

(1) The New York Stock Exchange announced after a census that about 17,100,000 Americans over 21 own stock in publicly held corporations—"nearly one of every six Americans is a share-owner."

(2) This statistic suggests the obvious reason why President Kennedy has lost the confidence so necessary to the healthy functioning of the economic body of the nation.

(3) This statistic also—and significantly—compares closely with another: The total number of labor union members is approximately 16 million. Their bosses, notably Walter Reuther, have the ear of the President and their own men are installed in high positions in the Kennedy regime. JFK clearly defers to their every wish.

(4) On June 27, Lyle Wilson, veteran columnist for the United Press International, articulated the prevailing conclusion in Washington drawn from the above facts when he wrote: "There is no other multi-million category of voters [than the 17,100,000 individual investors] lying around loose for the conservative leaders to cultivate . . . The Republican party might improve its minority position in the US if the party leadership had the wit and ability to rally the faceless millions of American stockholders."

Indeed, for some time before Wilson's remark, such a conclusion had been drawn by Steve Stahl, director of the Oklahoma Public Expenditures Council and a contributor to HUMAN EVENTS, who began laying plans for "The Investors' Union of America, Incorporated," a non-profit organization which has applied for a charter from Oklahoma.

The principal objective of the Union is to secure "a fair and reasonable return on the money invested by more than 17 million Americans in the tools of production," and the "primary purpose is the protection of small investors and particularly those who have retired or are nearing retirement."

Stahl comments: "These are the people who have been hurt the most by the present market decline resulting from the government's unfriendly attitude toward business and the free market economy."

Characteristic are the first selections for the board of governors: Miss Martha Veal, retired school teacher; Tim Blaney, small farmer; H. Merle Woods, weekly newspaper publisher. No "economic royalists" here, nor representatives of Big Business. (For information write: Steve Stahl, Investors Union of America, 207 Commerce Exchange Building, Oklahoma City 2, Oklahoma.)

The political potential of such a "union," if it succeeds in assembling a substantial fraction of the 17,100,000 investors, impresses Capitol Hill. One of its first points of attack is, of course, the grossly unfair double taxation of investors—a challenge which chills the entrenched parasitic bureaucracy of the federal government.

Another thought arises among observers: If the AFL-CIO has its political action battalions in COPE (Committee on Political Education), why not a similar lever for the investors to ensure the election of fiscally sound candidates in congressional elections?

In any case, many in the nation's Capital wait to see how the new "union" goes at its task.

Blackjacking Business: The Detroit *News* (June 28) reports a startling example of the rough hand of the Kennedy Administration—no less than an attempt to get business leaders in the Detroit area to cough up money for the Democratic party congressional campaign fund.

Those promoting a "brunch" for President Kennedy when he goes to the auto capital next October suggest a price of $1,000 a plate to be paid by some 40 business leaders attending. Michigan's Democratic Governor John B. Swainson sparked the idea of a brunch for JFK and the man handling the arrangements for the function is the president of a Democratic club, says the *News*. Democratic State Chairman J. J. Collins, who is in on the preparations, says the receipts would go into the Democratic congressional campaign fund.

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So far it is not known how many business leaders have accepted or, if any have, whether they know the proceeds will go to elect more Democrats to the next Congress.

Rocky on Prayer: Did Nelson Rockefeller make a wrong political move last week at the annual Governors' Conference? The New York Governor stood out against all the others as the only state executive who didn't support a resolution in favor of a Constitutional amendment which would clarify the Supreme Court's recent decision by permitting "the free and voluntary participation in prayer in our public schools."

Few doubt that Nelson had an eye on the big liberal vote in the state, a vote he cultivated to a large extent in his 1958 gubernatorial campaign. But if he is opposed by strong candidate Mayor Robert F. Wagner (rather than weak candidate Averell Harriman, as he was the last time) he can hope for little liberal support.

He must therefore count on the large Roman Catholic and upstate Protestant vote, which is largely up-in-arms over the Warren court's verdict. It is believed voters' memories will not be short on this burning issue and Nelson may suffer for abstaining on the resolution.

Doctors' Strike: It is no secret that champions of the Administration's Medicare bill on Capitol Hill wince at the mention of Saskatchewan, the Canadian province which has been the scene of a dramatic strike of doctors against a socialized medical program.

In the first days of the strike, an infant boy died of meningitis during a 90-mile race for medical attention. His father, Peter Derhososs blames the government (according to UPI): "If we could have gotten him to a doctor sooner, well . . . I think the government is more responsible than anything. There is no use having a scheme if you can't have doctors."

As days wore on, popular resentment led to plans for a march on Regina, the province capital of Saskatchewan, in protest against the compulsory medical care plan which was pushed through the province's socialist-controlled legislature. Dispatches stress the possibility of many doctors permanently leaving the province to practice in other provinces where no such plan exists. (See "Trick to Pass Medicare" elsewhere on this page.)

Budget Buster Bell: After a sober warning on the mounting national debt, Senator Harry F. Byrd (D.-Va.) has requested the resignation of the Administration's Director of the Budget, David E. Bell.

In a carefully prepared speech on the Senate floor, the highly respected Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee declared:

"I sincerely believe that the best interests of the country would be served if Mr. Bell were replaced as Director of the Budget by a man sympathetic to the hard requirements of fiscal responsibility and discipline."

Capitol Hill observers attach considerable weight to the Virginian's words as he is not one to shoot from the hip. As Byrd himself put it: "I make this statement deliberately and out of deep concern."

Byrd said the record reveals Bell is "addicted to 'planned deficits.'" Before the Senate Finance Committee, stated Byrd, Bell admitted this year's deficit was "deliberately planned." The Budget Director, charged Byrd, regards the budget as a tool for "testing economic theories." (HUMAN EVENTS reported December 15, 1960, that Bell thought the budget was a device to achieve "social ends, not simply sound dollars.")

Byrd warned, however, that we are "faced with a fiscal situation which is deadly serious. It is a situation demanding fiscal guidance of strong men of the highest caliber who are dedicated to sound financing." Bell, continued Byrd, "seems to be a pleasant man . . . There is simply no evidence that he is a strong fiscal officer."

Trick to Pass Medicare: As has been repeatedly predicted by HUMAN EVENTS, the New Frontier has now come forward with (1) a "compromise" Medicare bill and (2) a legislative tactic bespeaking desperation. They both came last week in the form of a rider which Senator Clinton P. Anderson (D.-N.M.) seeks to attach to a welfare bill already passed by the House (H. R.10606).

The "compromise" is designed to attract more voter support. Part of its "bait" is the inclusion of the four million elderly not covered by Social Security. The new proposal also authorizes the use of private groups, such as Blue Cross, to administer the plan and medical associations will be permitted to select the hospitals.

But the major objectionable feature, financing through Social Security—the principal political objective of the Administration—remains intact. As HUMAN EVENTS has pointed out, President Kennedy will accept a compromise on any part of the bill except this method of financing.

A reason for further objections: The technique of bringing up the "compromise" as a rider—thus bypassing the Senate Finance Committee and avoiding a wait for the Medicare bill to come from the House—smacks of White House high pressure.

Even Democrats who favor Medicare look with distaste upon this procedure. Therefore, the welfare measure and its rider may be plagued by amendments to amendments, as was the ill-fated Freeman farm bill in the House.

The Administration believes it has enough votes to pass the "compromise" proposal; nevertheless, conservatives on Capitol Hill say the bill can be defeated if the Senators hear from the country. Indications are the vote will be called for late in the week of July 9, therefore there is still time for constituents to wire both of their Senators urging a negative vote on federal Medicare.

Much Ado—New GOP Citizens Committee: In places where Republican pros gather on Capitol

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Hill, they say: "It's just Walter Thayer trying to be a kingmaker." They were talking of the intra-party fracas in which Senator Barry M. Goldwater (R.-Ariz.) assailed the newly proposed National Citizens Committee—stacked with modern Republicans who are to shape party policy.

Who is Walter Thayer? He is executive publisher of the Republican New York *Herald Tribune*, which broke the story of the new group. The Baltimore *Sun* says the Committee is "his brainchild."

Thayer, it is said, swelled with the importance the *Trib* gained because it was banned from the White House by President Kennedy; he sees circulation and advertising jumping. Thayer allegedly regards himself as the shaper of GOP policies as well as the Warwick of the GOP Presidential nomination in 1964. For didn't he launch the first boom for George Romney in the *Trib* last January? Circulation success—it is quipped—has gone to his head.

Pros make the point the words "Citizens Committee" have almost always been used in Presidential campaigns (or in special local situations). Anyway, many pros believe the new group is "Romney in '64." Rockefeller, it is said, is not connected with it; besides, Thayer opposed Rocky in the '60 nomination campaign. Nor can the new gimmick help Richard Nixon in his fight for the California governorship.

The group would only give ammunition to Democrats, who would say: "I told you so—Nixon only wants Sacramento as a steppingstone to the Presidency." California voters traditionally don't like candidates who try to do that.

Of course, the "Citizens Committee" is obviously designed to freeze Senator Goldwater out of the party councils. Not a Goldwater friend on its roster—all modern Republicans. The pros say the new committee can't do that to Barry. He's in strong with the bulk of the 50 members of the National Committee. Those canvassed are fuming at the new organization.

And such—all reports says—is the private attitude of the congressional leaders—Senator Everett Dirksen (Ill.) and Representative Charles Halleck (Ind.). But in public they "play it cool" because they know they'll come out on top. This has been the experience in both parties.

When Paul Butler set up a Democratic Advisory Council, congressional leaders Lyndon Johnson and Sam Rayburn froze it out; they won because they wrote the laws and the party record. So, also, in 1949-50, GOP congressional leaders Robert A. Taft and Joe Martin prevailed over Hugh Scott, then a Representative, who tried a similar scheme. And soon Scott, who had been the party's National Chairman, was supplanted.

The parallel with today's development is compelling, except that most pros believe GOP Chairman William Miller will prove adept enough to avoid the odium of being associated with the *Trib* plot and will stay on. Pros hope so—for Miller is the most cleverly articulate of any National Chairman in recent history and is an invaluable party spokesman in criticizing JFK.

Trade Bill: House passage of H. R. 11970, the so-called Trade Expansion Act of 1962, was a victory not only for the President personally but for the internationalist groups which are prime movers of this bill—The Committee for National Trade Policy, The United World Federalists, The Americans for Democratic Action, etc.

Few conservatives on Capitol Hill who have been believers in free trade are fooled by the razzle-dazzle of H. R. 11970's alleged free trade approach.

As Representative Thomas B. Curtis (R.-Mo.) has pointed out, the bill may "not turn out to be . . . a free trading bill. Rather it might well be a measure laying the ground work for substituting a system of licenses, quotas, government subsidies, cartels and other governmental regulations of trade for the tariff mechanism. So employed, it would establish governmental control through the exercising of discriminatory power in the imposition of these trade limitations and would substitute bureaucratic decisions for the operation of the market place . . . in international trade."

Opponents are urging their constituents to write their Senators, who are soon to vote on the trade bill.

South of the Border: Whatever the press reports at home, President Kennedy's good-will tour south of the border indeed proved to be a triumph—for Castro and socialism. It was thought Kennedy's intention was to persuade Mexico's President Lopez Mateos to take an anti-Castro stance. Instead, as Mexican newspapers observed, JFK "surrendered" to Mexico's "hands-off" policy on Cuba.

The government newspaper, *El Nacional*, bannered the headline: "Mexico Imposed Her Viewpoint." It added: "Our Peaceful Coexistence Thesis Triumphed."

Kennedy's talks with Mateos, according to Latin observers, turned into a first rate diplomatic blunder and a blow to the growing anti-Castro movement both inside and outside Cuba.

In line with his economic advisers, the President, moreover, fanned the flames of socialism by urging an "economic revolution" in Mexico, a country already succumbing to socialism. "How far Left does he want it to go?" asked one lawmaker.

Another startling aspect of the President's trip was his agreement to begin bartering away American territory while getting nothing in return. At the end of Kennedy's visit, Mexico's Foreign Minister Manuel Tello claimed Kennedy had "for the first time in Mexican history laid the foundation for territorial expansion of this country, through the returning of Chamizal." Chamizal is located in El Paso, Texas, and has been considered part of El Paso for nearly 100 years.

DR. WILLIS W. VIRTUE, Baptist Bible Seminary, Johnson City, New York: "HUMAN EVENTS is the finest publication in the area of good government and politics which comes to my desk. It is a great beacon light in the midst of darkness. I would not want to miss HUMAN EVENTS under any conditions. You are doing a great piece of work for the cause of freedom and our country."

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"The President sold just about everything down the Rio Grande," remarked an observer, "even a bit of Texas."

Rostow Again: The lid on the Rostow appeasement document has been clamped down tighter than a drum. The President, the week before, and the Secretary of State and the Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, last week, flatly refused to allow Congress to take a look at this new guide for national security, reportedly drawn up by Walt Whitman Rostow and in the President's hands for approval.

The tight secrecy enveloping the document has fiercely stirred the suspicions of those who suspect, as a result of a leak to the press, that the Rostow paper calls for retreating before the Soviet Union and Red China on a grand scale.

Last week, Representative Robert T. Stafford (R.-Vt.) spearheaded an attack by GOP lawmakers against the secrecy veil shielding Rostow's report and his views from Senate and House members. Stafford feels congressmen are entitled to know just what the President's guide to foreign policy is.

If the document cannot be made public, it should, it is felt, at least be seen in executive session by members of the Senate and House foreign affairs committees who are supposed to be more than rubber stamps for the Administration in determining foreign policy.

Rostow's pleading "executive privilege" in not revealing the document, said Stafford, amounts to taking the "Fifth Amendment." The refusal by the Administration to let Congress see the paper, Stafford charges, "is based on the political security of the Administration and the personal security of Rostow."

Other GOP lawmakers, including Durward G. Hall (R.-Mo.) and John Ashbrook (R.-Ohio), attacked Rostow for his published views that America should relinquish its national sovereignty to a world order, socialize underdeveloped countries and appease the Communists.

Capitol Camera: Walter Winchell, in his New York *Mirror* column, raises the question whether J. Edgar Hoover, head of the FBI, will resign his job by October 1st. The columnist noted that Hoover seems at odds with his superior, Attorney General Bobby Kennedy, about the danger of communism in the US—Hoover says it's a menace (said so last week before a congressional committee), while Bobby says it isn't. Winchell goes on: "Please ask John Edgar Hoover if my deductions (that he may Have Had It) are correct and tell him that someone has to Stand Watch at the Capital to keep the Pinkoes who are too close to the President from changing the Executive Mansion's name to the Pink House." (See "Winchell to Resign," page 528.)

• *A new group called "Sons of Business" (in reference to JFK's label for all businessmen) is offering buttons bearing the name for 25 cents each; they are located in the office of Representative William H. Ayres (R.-Ohio), Room 411, House Office Building, Washington, D. C.*

• If Kennedy's trade bill had been killed in the House—say Democrats privately—the Democrats would have been sure to lose the fall congressional elections. Hence, GOP fire centers on those who failed to vote for a recommital (the key vote) which the anti-dictator forces counted on to defeat this grant of too much power to JFK. Singled out for criticism are two contenders for the Republican nomination for the New Hampshire Senate seat held for many years by the late Senator Styles Bridges. They are Representatives Perkins Bass and Chester Merrow (who are opposed in the race by Mrs. Styles Bridges and incumbent Senator Maurice Murphy). By voting against recommital, these two ran directly contrary to the traditional policy on trade issues of Senator Bridges.

• *Another report that Attorney General Bobby Kennedy is laying plans to become Secretary of State is circulating. He's got one of his Justice Department assistants into a position in the State Department personnel section. Such a man could help pave the way for Bobby by purging personnel who might oppose naming of the President's brother.*

• Capitol Hill observers say, on balance, that enough evidence is in on the Estes mess to draw this conclusion: Secretary of Agriculture Orville Freeman will be the next member of JFK's Cabinet to walk the plank.

• *The Sixth Circuit Federal Court of Appeals recently dealt a major blow on behalf of right-to-work laws and against Walter Reuther and the Kennedy-dominated National Labor Relations Board. The Kennedy NLRB, reversing the Eisenhower board, recently declared the "agency shop" (a provision whereby a worker must pay "fees" to a union, even though not a member) was legal in the right-to-work state of Indiana. The NLRB then ordered General Motors to bargain with Reuther on an agency shop agreement. GM appealed to the Federal Court which flatly declared an agency shop was illegal.*

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I have a respect for the rights of the top dog and no use for the foolish doctrine of equality between frugal and the improvident.
—Australian Prime Minister Robert G. Menzies

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Who Buries Mama?

By ALICE WIDENER
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WHY WAS IT NECESSARY that we had to pay?" This is the outraged cry of protest against New York City in a letter to the editor written by three sons. Their protest has a Washington angle.

"Last year," the sons write, "our mother, aged 75, was hospitalized in a city hospital for seven weeks until her death. We children were subpoenaed to show our income tax forms. A bill of $1200 was issued. We three sons had to pay $400 each. Then we had to finance the complete burial and pay for a stone. Why was it necessary that we had to pay?"

Obviously, because they could afford to. If unable, they would not have had to do it.

The letter, sad to say, is all too characteristic of some prevailing social attitudes. I should like to ask:

• "What did you three 'children,' old enough to earn incomes, expect to do with your dying mother—dump her as an unwanted load onto the already heavily-burdened taxpayers?

• "Do you believe that city hospitals are run with magical funds rained down from the nowhere into the here?

• "Why was it that the hospital had to resort to law in your case and subpoena you three to show your income tax forms? Did you protest to the hospital that 'She's nothing to us but an outworn mother!' "

Of course, I don't know the three sons (thank goodness!) and I didn't know the mother. But the chances are she was a pretty good one. Otherwise her three grown sons probably wouldn't be earning enough honestly-gained income to be taxable; they would be on relief or in jail or gone to addresses unknown. When the sons were too young to take care of themselves, clearly she took good care of them; at least she must have provided food, a healthy home, decent medical care and a basic education. Otherwise, how would the three sons be able-bodied enough for self support and mentally equipped enough to write a literate letter of protest against paying $400 each for her final illness?

WHY DO I TROUBLE to write about this "one" letter? It is because the three sons' outraged cry echoes widely-held contempt for the commandment, "Honor thy father and thy mother." They give voice to a too prevalent feeling of filial irresponsibility. Paternalistic welfare propaganda fosters it when it asserts that the "unfair burden" of humane care of old mothers and fathers should be shifted to city, state and Federal governments.

On January 18, 1962, the United States Bureau of the Budget issued a "budget in brief" showing an annual Federal expenditure for public assistance (relief) of $2.8 billion!

Why not?

From Washington there flows a stream of propaganda that it is the responsibility of city, state and Federal governments "to take care of our senior citizens."

Why should three able-bodied, income-earning sons be saddled with hospital and burial expenses for one 75-year-old woman? Who was she? Only their mother.

If these three sons' cry of protest were to be echoed and re-echoed among adult Americans, all of us eventually would be "children" from cradle to grave—mere helpless wards of The State.

Kowtow to Supreme Court?

From the New York *Daily News*

Commenting gingerly on the Supreme Court's public school prayer ban at a news conference, President Kennedy said: "I think that it is important for us, if we're to maintain our Constitutional principle, that we support Supreme Court decisions even when we may not agree with them."

With due respect to the President (or at any rate to the Presidency), we dissent.

Americans have a traditional right to yell their heads off at the President whenever he does something they don't like. Same as to Congress. This man and this group head up the Government's Executive and Legislative branches.

The Supreme Court heads the Judicial branch. In that capacity, it should be and traditionally has been as subject to public outcry, criticism and condemnation as the Chief Executive, the Senate and the House of Representatives.

If Americans ever give up the right to take exception to Supreme Court decisions, they will be asking for dictatorial rule by judges—and they'll get it, fast.

HOW COME?—JFK is the first President in US history to send government officials to Europe to learn the secrets of economic growth. Until now, it has been the other way around. (Representative Richard L. Roudebush, Indiana Republican)

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Gurney Seeks Florida House Seat

By FREDERIC BABCOCK

AT THE MOMENT Florida is represented by only one GOP congressman: William C. Cramer of St. Petersburg. But that situation promises to improve after next November. Mr. Cramer in 1963, will, in all likelihood, be joined by two or more Republican conservatives from this state.

An outstanding figure and personality in the array of 1962 candidates is, like Cramer, something of an anomaly: a Harvard Law School graduate who is a thorough-going conservative. His name: Edward J. Gurney.

GURNEY

A native of Maine, Gurney practiced law in New York City after he finished his studies at Harvard in 1938. Entering the military service as a private in World War II, he rose to the rank of lieutenant colonel. Severely wounded in action as a member of the 8th Armored Division in Europe, Gurney was decorated with both the Silver Star and the Purple Heart.

After earning a master's degree from Duke University Law School in 1948, Gurney moved to Winter Park, where, ever since, he has been active in civic and philanthropic affairs. Two years ago he was elected Mayor.

Impressed by his record, a group of his fellow Republicans asked him to run for Congress from the newly-created 11th Florida District—one of the four new districts created last year.

His Democratic opponent, a middle-of-the-roader, is seeking the support of the voters by posing as both a liberal and a conservative.

Gurney resigned as Mayor July 1 of this year so that he could embark on a hard-hitting campaign against not only his opponent but also President Kennedy's New Frontier program and everything for which it stands. "As a conservative," he says, "I believe in and will fight for a free society in which Americans may obtain their full social and economic potential unshackled by the chains of bureaucratic government." He adds:

"I stand for a strong America to combat communism, our greatest peril since the founding of our Republic; for keeping the Federal government out of local education, socialized medicine, urban affairs, welfare policies, electric power, business and a host of other programs; for an aggressive foreign policy, and not a defensive, apologetic approach; for reducing the national debt and stopping irresponsible government spending; for a missile and space program always ahead of Russia's."

His battle is of special interest nationally because the 11th Congressional District embraces Cape Canaveral—the missile and space capital of America.

Mr. Babcock was the founder and for 18 years the editor of the Chicago *Tribune* Magazine of Books and editor of Bela Kornitzer's book, *The Real Nixon*. A resident of Winter Park, Florida, he is the author of two published novels and a contributor of articles and critiques to the New York *Times* Book Review, *The Saturday Review* and *Christian Century*.

How to Defeat a Liberal

There are 30-odd members of the extreme liberal group ADA (Americans for Democratic Action) in high places in the Kennedy Administration. Liberal candidates for Congress and the legislature should be forced to accept the onus of being pro-ADA or come out with a frank repudiation of ADA—which means rejection of the New Frontier and the Kennedy Administration.

No Democratic candidate should be permitted to equivocate on the vital ADA issue!

The Nation's No. 1 ADA'er is in the White House telling JFK what to do. He is Arthur Schlesinger, Jr., who has refused to repudiate his 1947 declaration (see HUMAN EVENTS, June 16, page 445):

"There seems no inherent obstacle to the gradual advance of socialism in the United States through a series of New Deals."

In that famous article, Schlesinger said that Karl Marx had made one tactical error. Marx thought the capitalistic classes would use force to stop socialism. Therefore, said Marx, violent revolution would be necessary. Schlesinger says recent history has proved that Marx "enormously overestimated the political courage and will of the capitalists." Continues Schlesinger, capitalism has displayed "far more cowardice" than Marx anticipated.

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QUESTION *of the Week*

QUESTION—I hear a lot about "backdoor spending." What is it and how did it start?

ANSWER—"Backdoor spending" had a relatively modest beginning 30 years ago when it was used to finance the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. It is a term used to describe borrowing which bypasses the regular and annual appropriations procedures of Congress. Agencies needing money go directly to the Treasury.

In testifying this year before the House Ways and Means Committee, Congressman Thomas M. Pelly (R.-Wash.) noted: "The practice proved so attractive to advocates of so-called progressive legislation and those who wished to pass huge spending programs that there have been a total of $150 billion of public debt authorizations placed on the books of the Treasury as of June 30, 1961." Pelly added that about $72 billion of this total has been repaid and that Congress has canceled or forgiven $16 billion.

Commented Pelly: "This forgiveness is an insidious way of providing for expenditures outside of the regular appropriations."

Of the remaining $62 billion in "backdoor spending" authorized through June 30, 1961, about $33 billion is still outstanding. An additional $28 billion has been authorized but, as of that date, was unspent.

Conservatives in Congress oppose "backdoor spending" because it deprives Congress of control of a significant part of Federal spending. The Constitution provides that Congress shall control the public purse.

What Did He Say?

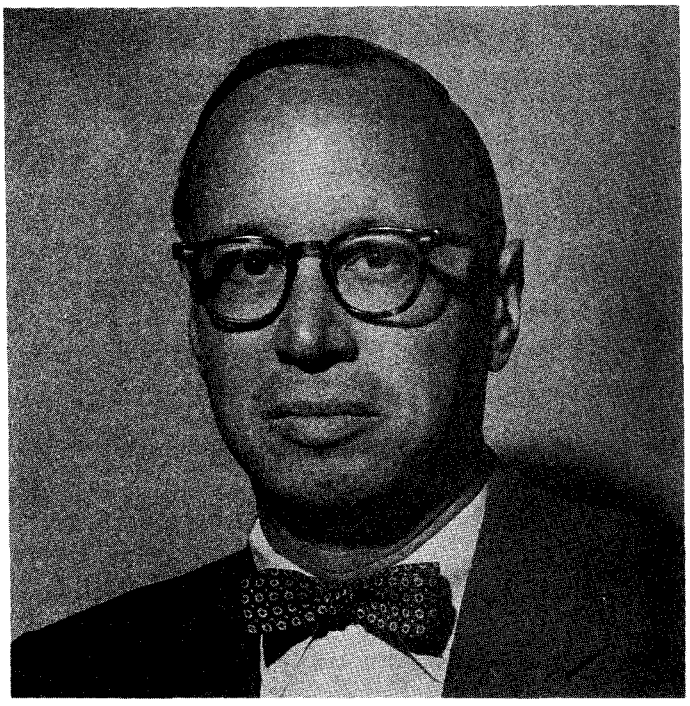
By Representative Richard H. Poff (R.-Va.)

Under Secretary of State George W. Ball, in a recent television interview, gave the following answer to a reporter who inquired whether or not the puppet regime of East Germany should be given a voice in international control of land and air access to West Berlin:

> These things are, again, all a question of degree and procedure, and so on. It is at a very technical level now and there is some conversation that has to be conducted with the East Germans but what we are looking for is a *modus vivendi,* as I say, in which there could be no derogation whatever from the basic interests, and exactly how this would be worked out, the extent to—if any—of the slightest East German participation in some of the technical aspects, these are all matters that will have to be fully discussed, but I can assure you these are not matters on which there is any real disagreement among us.

What did that man say?

TAX EXPERTS?—"Following the testimony of Secretary of the Treasury Dillon before the Senate Finance Committee in support of the President's tax revision bill and its controversial provisions recently, the question was raised as to whether either President Kennedy or Secretary Dillon has ever personally filled out a tax return. The question remains unanswered." **(Representative Clarence J. Brown, Ohio Republican)**



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'Come and Get It'

By Representative Leslie C. Arends (R.-Ill.)

Recently in a speech on the floor of the House we pointed out that the Mayor of the City of New York has decided to establish a permanent office in Washington to look after the interest of New York City. We know of two other cities—Philadelphia and San Francisco—who already have Washington offices.

WAGNER

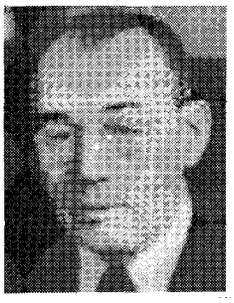
ARENDS

According to the New York *Times* story, Mayor Wagner is "eager to have a representative dealing first-hand with various departments and agencies to make sure that New York gets full use of all available services and participates in all potentially advantageous programs, especially those involving financial assistance."

This apparently is the answer to the clarion call from Washington: "Come and get it." It was predicted that slowly but surely our city halls would be transferred to Washington if the present policy of government continues.

Capitol Hill Comment

AIN'T NATURE GRAND?—"Sir Edmund Hillary, a New Zealand mountain-climber, and a visitor in this country, has been hired by the Forest Service in the Department of Agriculture as a 'consultant.' For $1,500, Sir Edmund will tell us what we can do to make our national forests attractive to foreign visitors. We can hardly wait for the world-shaking Hillary report and the bill of expense that will accompany it." **(Representative H. R. Gross, Iowa Republican)**



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THAT'S WHERE YOUR MONEY GOES—"May 11th the Defense Department bought 403 tents for $88,472. On May 15th it declared another 10,000 tents surplus and the State Department said it would send the $600,000 worth of tents to Algeria to house refugees. Apparently no one thought to keep 403 tents in the Defense Department and save the taxpayers' money. **(Representative Earl Wilson, Indiana Republican)**

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The American UN Dream

How It Became a Nightmare

By FREDERIC NELSON

SOMETIMES it looks as if all of us were participating in one of those pointless and seemingly endless dreams of whose Freudian significance we are unaware because we have not yet waked up. In a dream one comes without surprise upon Secretary of Agriculture Freeman and Joseph of Arimathaea in a spirited colloquy which the dreamer observes without approval, disapproval or any emotion whatever. Too much of the public attitude toward today's fantastic events resembles the uncritical tolerance of the dreamer's stream of the unconscious.

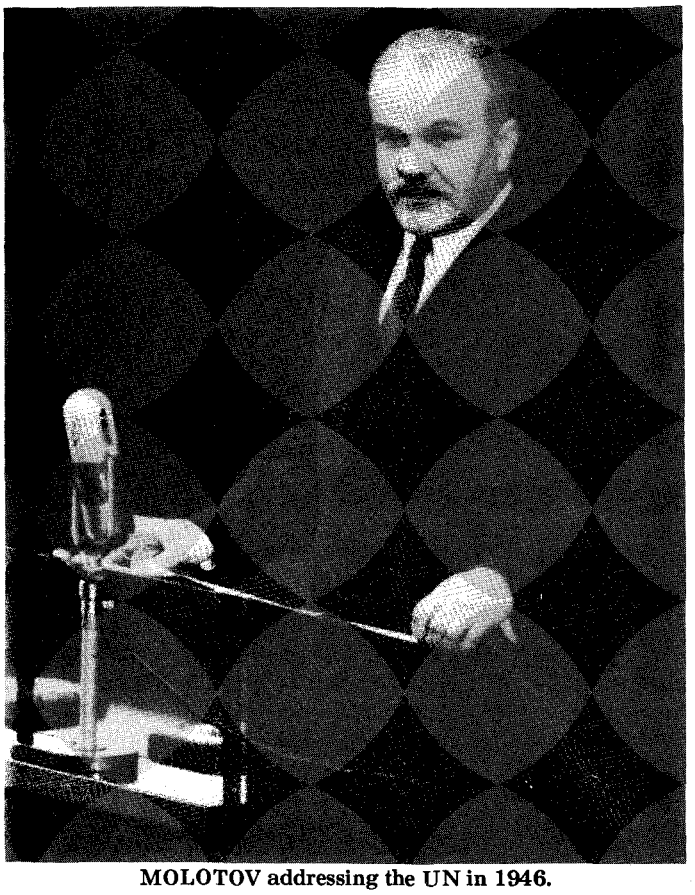
My own private dreams of avarice, like one in which I suggest to the Editor that he pay me more for pieces like this, are inhibited by the suspicion that accounts of the next White House press conference might include some such paragraph as the subjoined:

"At a time when the nation's doctors are in a conspiracy against our ailing senior citizens; at a time when the President of Vassar College has urged her girls to forego 'extra-marital sex relations' in the national interest; at a time when Peace Corps volunteers are the last Americans with deductible expense accounts; at such a time, Nelson and a few other writers, avariciously concerned with their petty bills and expenses, and indifferent to the National Welfare, have - - - " *etc., etc.*

Seriously though, we *must* be dreaming! Look at what is supposed to be happening. Herr Walter Ulbricht, Communist Boss of East Germany, demands that "the occupation regime, the hotbeds of a conflagration of war and the center of subversive activities (meaning *us*) must disappear in West Berlin, that West Berlin will become a peaceful, demilitarized and neutral (*i.e.*, Communist) free city."

So we get mad at Adenauer—in a note by Secretary Rusk of which pro-Kennedy columnist Joseph Alsop commented that its "violence of language was only exceeded by the self-righteousness of its tone."

The wide-awake hours seem like the wrong time of day for a proposal to deduct income tax from every already double-taxed dividend check and every last savings bank book, whether the owner owes any tax or not. Billions more papers to file, thousands more clerks to hire, exemptions to claim, headaches to medicate—all to scrape up about what we expect to give Brazil as a reward for grabbing US-owned telephone companies!



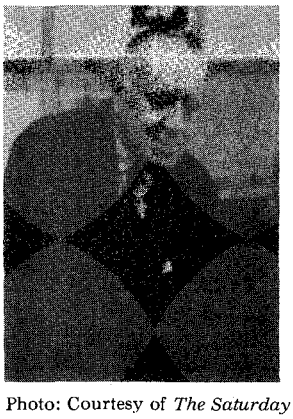
MOLOTOV addressing the UN in 1946.

Even the State Department's extraordinary plan to merge US military power into a United Nations "peace army" disturbs few aside from President Robert Morris of Dallas University, who remembers Katanga. From Professor Hugo Munsterberg at Harvard I learned years ago that a man walking in his sleep would not stroll over a precipice, jump into the fireplace or otherwise injure himself. Let us hope that this comforting principle applies to whole nations in hibernation. Perhaps it's true.

President Morris reports that Texas politicians are being bombarded with telegrams urging opposition to this proposal: first, to deprive the US of the right to exempt questions of national interest from World Court jurisdiction by repealing the Connally Amendment, and, second, to destroy our ability to protect national interests by merging our armed forces with those of other UN members including those pledged to our destruction.

THIS BRINGS US to the really colossal fantasy of our time, namely the middle class, ex-urbanite adulation of the United Nations. We are taxed to hand

Frederic Nelson, a frequent contributor to HUMAN EVENTS, retired last year as chief editorial writer for *The Saturday Evening Post*. A 1916 graduate of Harvard, he was an editorial writer for the Baltimore *Sun* from 1929 to 1942, the year he joined *The Saturday Evening Post* as an associate editor. He was the *Sun's* London correspondent in 1931-32. Two of Nelson's most recent articles in HUMAN EVENTS were "Whose Side Are We On Anyway?" (January 27, 1962) and "How 'Undemocratic' Is the Poll Tax?" (April 28, 1962).



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out billions in foreign aid, ostensibly to bribe nations in distress to spurn the blandishments and seductions of communism. But let one small, self-supporting African province, which asks no foreign aid, take a stand against the Communists and for the West, and the United Nations gives it the grape and canister!

If people were awake after the assault in Katanga, they would have reared up and demanded that the government give the United Nations the back of its hand. Instead it was all Congress could do not to bail the UN out of the deficit it had piled up by blasting helpless people in the Katanga! While I doubt that the UN is as popular as Pollster Gallup would have us believe, the common, ordinary Madison Avenue man and his wife still insist that the United Nations is—and why do they bring Abraham Lincoln into it? —the "last best hope on earth."

This United Nations fantasy began in 1945 as a nightmare and has defied benzadrine, strong coffee and No-Doz ever since. In San Francisco where it all started I and 2,500 other individuals with press cards jammed the Opera House where Molotov demanded the exclusion of Argentina from the new organization on the ground that Argentina was "undemocratic." As far as I know, nobody, unless it might be that gentle cynic, Paul Ward of the Baltimore *Sun,* cracked a smile.

The Soviet spokesman had a good debating point, being able to quote Cordell Hull as having "branded Argentina as the headquarters of the Fascist movement in this hemisphere," a remark more appropriate to a public relations man than a Secretary of State.

In any event, even the Seven Sleepers of Ephesus might have been expected to give out with a horse laugh when the representative of the most despotic dictatorship in the world found fault with the lack of democracy of any country. But at San Francisco in April-May, 1945, the delegates didn't sneer at Molotov because, as James Reston explained in the New York *Times,* "they do not want the Russians to attempt to dictate to the conference, but at the same time they do not want to give the impression that they are ganging up on the Russians." (The first outbreak of the "world opinion" virus?)

Naturally enough, Molotov, who wasn't dreaming, regarded his Argentina play as a success although Argentina was eventually admitted to the UN. Anne O'Hare McCormick wrote in the New York *Times* that Molotov "thinks he made his point and that the press reaction indicates that his stand won popular approval!"

I think the files will show that he was right about the press reaction. Almost everybody agreed that Argentina was as immoral as Molotov said it was. It was reported that Eugene Meyer, then publisher of the Washington *Post,* became so incensed in a discussion of the Argentine issue with Secretary of State Edward Stettinius that he actually took a poke at that inoffensive official, losing his own glasses in the encounter!

The dreamers that I met in saloons and private homes around San Francisco at the time were mostly in a sentimental fog about Stalin's Foreign Minister, and one member of the press nostalgically compared him to a favorite uncle! Also a State Department official, who has to be nameless because I can't prove it, rebuked some of us more skeptical characters for failing to give Stalin credit for a desire to cooperate with the rest of the world!

Mrs. McCormick, less exuberant than most of her press colleagues, spotted one basic defect of the UN before it uttered its first shrill vagitus. "Most of Europe is not here," she reported, "The Middle East is more fully represented at San Francisco than the Continent, which for centuries has taken the political lead of the world. Central America has as many votes as Europe. Most of Europe has not even found its voice. But when it does the sound of the chorus may be different."

THAT THE CHORUS would one day be shattered by a discordant jam session from Africa, which continent would be carved up into a score of "sovereignties," could hardly be foreseen even by so astute a prophet as Mrs. McCormick. Senators Jackson, Fulbright and Mansfield have been subjecting the UN dream to belated psychoanalysis, but the damage to the national "libido" was done at San Francisco when the clearly predictable indications of conflict between the Communist conspiracy and the rest of the world were buried under a mass of false optimism and *ersatz* confidence.

Right in the middle of the conference, the Russians gave the conference a poke which ought to have waked people up. They kidnapped and imprisoned 16 Poles who had attempted to negotiate with Soviet leaders on the question of postwar frontiers. Despite sharp questioning by Anthony Eden and the US delegates, Molotov did a Br'er Rabbit, and "ain't say nuthin'." The Tass News Agency referred to some Poles who "are alleged to have disappeared from Poland." But finally Molotov had to make some response. He declared that the Poles has been arrested for "diversionist activities against the Red Army." From Moscow the Poles were characterized as "anti-Semitic and pro-Fascist in their views."

Of course the real objection to them was that Stalin already had his own pet Communist Poles poised at Lublin for the take-over. He really needn't have worried; he got his Poles and in time we gave them financial support!

A few years later one of the imprisoned Poles came to see me in Philadelphia and gave me the details of the betrayal. As veterans of the underground and—some of them alumni of Nazi concentration camps —these 16 patriots assumed that they would be welcomed by the Russians. They attempted to call on Marshal Zhukov at his headquarters, but were told that he was at the front and that they would be flown westward to his field headquarters for a conference. Trustingly the Poles entered a plane, and the next thing they knew they were in Moscow where they were clapped into the Lubianka dungeon. My Polish informant, formerly a Warsaw lawyer, was released after prolonged interrogations, but others, if alive, are probably still there.

One would have expected that a conference—opened by President Truman's declaration that "justice remains the greatest power on earth; to that tremendous power alone will we submit"—would have begun to wonder whether it was all worth while. But by this time the nightmare was in full swing, and the conference closed with the usual eloquent expressions of confidence that what the late columnist Tom Stokes had called "the highest hopes of the plain people of this country and the world" had been fulfilled.

The New York *Times* declared that "despite the failure of Russia, Great Britain and the United States to reach a solution of the Polish problem—a problem of great importance in itself but not essentially part of the task for which this conference was called: namely the task of creating the machinery of the new league of nations —the Great Powers have been able to collaborate successfully. . . . "

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The writer of that pious editorial must have been full of Miltown along with everybody else or he would have noticed that his long parenthesis made nonsense of his conclusion—because, if the communizing of Poland could not be prevented before the "new league of nations" was off and running, the prospect of Soviet collaboration was unlikely to be worth the expense account of a single journalist.

Molotov's press conferences augmented the sense of somnolent unreality. If Truman, Eden, or even Stettinius had trotted onto the stage surrounded by half a dozen bully boys in smocks—like the Yale team charging out onto the field—you would be sure you dreamed it. But that is how Molotov did it and on one occasion he and his bizarre escorts managed to get into the Fairmont Hotel, participate in a conference and depart for an unknown destination—they were reported to be holed up in a ship in San Francisco Bay—without any of the alert gentlemen of the press seeing them come or go. Molotov had it made when it came to press conferences. Nobody asked embarrassing questions and the device of "appealing directly to the people" really paid off.

Once, however, a reporter (I think it was Earl Wilson of the tavern beat) asked Molotov what he thought of American women. As soon as the translator had transcribed the impious question, Molotov picked up his papers, leaped to his feet and, with his escort getting into formation around him, trotted off stage. That was one time he got a cheer from me!

Anyway he was the idol of the populace, in contrast to critical aloofness of some of my friends toward the "images" of Anthony Eden and his adviser, Lord Cranwood. They, it was suspected, were interested first in protecting British interests! What Molotov was supposed to be protecting was not mentioned in the circles I frequented. Mostly he was just "cute."

ALL THIS TIME the European end of the war was lumbering to a screeching halt and the air was filled with nightmarish plans for reforming the Fascists. Mussolini had been captured by a gang of "partisans" (the dispatches didn't define them further) who reformed him by hanging upside down. Supreme Commander Eisenhower, learning that a US officer had shaken hands with a German officer after the surrender, issued an order that German generals were to be treated no differently from Nazi party officials—an order reflecting the prevailing ignorance of the strained relations between at least some generals and the Nazi usurpers. There were sycophants, of course, but at least one Admiral had been tortured and hanged on a meat hook from the wall!

Presumably unaware of this sort of thing, the New York *Times* declared that the Eisenhower order ought to take care of the "German generals—Colonel General Guderian, tank expert, is the latest example—who came across all the lines, all smiles and great good humor, hands outstretched in cordial greeting, as if they had just finished a game of tennis with our Army." A few years later Guderian's book on tank warfare was enthusiastically reviewed in American newspapers—perhaps even the *Times*—as if the author had not been a "Fascist Beast" at all but just an old pro.

There was a lot of talk about the horrors of "fraternization" and whether a soldier could be clapped into the brig for flipping a slice of Spam to a Kraut Knabe, and whether soldiers who "shacked up" with the local *madchens* were betraying democracy. The "liberation" of everything from cameras to whole cellars of vintage wines did not get into the papers until later, if at all. (The Russians "looted"; we "liberated.") But plans to raze or cart off to the USSR such industrial plants as had escaped the bombers were kicked around by everybody above the rank of translator, nobody suspecting that this was an ideal way to provide the hated Krauts with brand-new machinery while the victors made do with what they had been wearing out during the war.

While we 2,500 journalists were trying to make head or tail out of the doings of the UN organization meeting, a selected group of writers had been invited to go to Europe to sit in on the winning of the war. Later one of these fortunate pilgrims told me about having had lunch at a British officers' mess where one officer, assigned to "liberate" Russian "slave laborers" from their German masters and repatriate them, reported: "The b arstards don't *want* to be liberated!" This brought down the house, so elementary was our knowledge of Communist methods.

That those who had been prisoners of the enemy would be massacred as traitors would not have occurred to that bewildered British officer any more than it did to the astute editor who told me about it. That was 17 years ago, but thousands of American somnambulists don't understand these things yet.

Nor do they show concern over other dreamy items.

A national magazine publishes the report of a female visitor to Khrushchev that the Soviet dictator is "human" (Hitler loved the kiddies too).

Senator Karl Mundt is scolded by the San Francisco *Chronicle* for "bitter and unjust abuse" of Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer as a White House dinner guest. The *Chronicle* editor, who probably never read the AEC hearings on Oppenheimer, predicted that J. Robert would "live far longer and loom much greater in the history of his country than will any of his snarling critics." Uh-huh.

The State Department issues a new volume of China material, apparently designed to prove that it was "squeeze" and not ugly Americans that lost China to the Communists.

Every time the sleeper gives premonitory symptoms of waking up, along comes another slug of political luminol.

Nevertheless, more and more people aren't buying these soothing potions. They can't see any sense in sending Marines to protect Laos from the Communists while at the same time insisting upon giving Communists the key jobs in the government—nor see anything but insanity in snubbing de Gaulle and Adenauer for doing their best to protect the free world!

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'The Untouchable State Department'

By WALTER TROHAN

IN A WORLD of multiplying crisis in the field of foreign affairs, there have been growing demands for investigation of the American State Department. Now comes a detailed indictment from the typewriter of a man who spent 26 years in the Department, six of them as head of its most closely guided secrets.

BARRON

In the book entitled *The Untouchable State Department*, Bryton Barron names names and lists failures in an indictment covering inefficiency, incompetency, naivete, meddling, dangerous delay, bad judgment, evil influences, indecent collaborations, departmental politics, excessive preoccupation with alien points of view and Communist treason. It is a frightening and sobering analysis from one who knows and dares to speak out against pressures for conformity and secrecy.

"For a quarter of a century the American people have been treated like children; told only those things which would put officialdom in the best possible light," Barron wrote.

"Had our diplomats been always successful, it might have been argued that we should trust them implicitly. But the enemy has continued to extend its domination; the power and prestige which our soldier boys won on the battlefield have been lost, much. . . at the conference table; our resources have been squandered abroad; and now our very existence is threatened."

Barron, who was in the Department before, during and after the time of Alger Hiss, and who spoke out against Red spy-perjurer, is more concerned with policy-makers soft on communism than with actual card-carrying Communists.

"But here let me say," he writes, "that I doubt any Red agents straight from Moscow could possibly do more harm to America than has been done, and is being done, by these officials of the State Department, unwittingly or otherwise, through the disastrous policies which they have devised, recommended and promoted in recent years."

AMONG SUCH EXPERTS he spotlights are Charles E. Bohlen, top adviser on Russia, who defends the secret deals of Yalta; W. Averell Harriman, Assistant Secretary of State for Far Eastern Affairs, who was one of the Yalta negotiators; Julius C. Holmes, current Ambassador to Iran, who was indicted but never brought to trial for a tanker deal by which he and two associates parlayed a $101,000 investment into a quick profit of $3.25 million; and George Kennan, Ambassador to Yugoslavia, who authored much "unsound and damaging policy."

Barron also tells of Roy Rubottom, as Assistant Secretary of State for Latin American Affairs, and William Wieland, as director of American relations with Cuba, advancing the career of Fidel Castro and thus aiding the communization of Cuba. He names officials who subordinated American aims, accepted gifts from foreign rulers, had auto crashes driving under the influence of alcohol while carrying state secrets and promoted duplicity and secrecy.

The book is a sad story of rewards for the blunders and retirement or discharge for those who protested against "the system." It is also a sad story of circumvention of efforts at housecleaning the Department of incompetents or worse. Barron recommended to the late John Foster Dulles and then to Congress a 50 per cent cut in the Department. He also lists instances of fiscal dishonesty.

It is Barron's solemn assertion that the Department is engaged in a deliberate campaign to withhold vital information from the public and pursuing a policy of surrender on the instalment plan. He says the Senate and its treaty-making power were bypassed by executive agreements and the people were not given the facts.

"For evil-doers and disastrous policies, secrecy became a necessary handmaiden," Barron wrote in proposing a program of open dealing and candor which will replace the untouchable State Department within the reach of the American people.

* *The Untouchable State Department* by Bryton Barron (Crestwood Books, Box 301, Springfield, Va., 1962, $2.50).

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Kennedy for President in '68—Bobby, That Is

By VICTOR RIESEL

BOB KENNEDY heard a cheering crowd the other day nominate him to run for President of the United States—in 1968.

It was the first such public demonstration. The shouting swelled as the words were spoken by the leader of those gathered. It was a labor convention. So the nomination is still unofficial.

But it was the convention of the militantly-liberal Hatters' Union, maker of policy in the highest echelons of labor. The nomination came from Alex Rose, in good humor but in deadly political earnest.

After Bob Kennedy left the hall, Rose, who I'm certain will take no insult if I describe him as a latter-day Jim Farley (neither will Jim), told this columnist —"Certainly I meant it. If this nation wants to continue the kind of administration in '68 we now have under John Kennedy, the country will have to turn to his brother who is so closely identified with everything the President stands for."

From the moment the Attorney General strode into New York's Statler-Hilton convention hall, it was obvious "Bob" felt at home and just as plain that he was among political partners and friends. Since early '59 Alex Rose and his people had run interference for John Kennedy, bringing him closer to the New York labor leaders, introducing him to New York liberalism, breaking down the frustrated political love for Adlai Stevenson.

Now it is Robert's turn. Nor is he at all displeased.

Quickly he endeared himself to the delegates. And with a happy story. He said he had just flown in from Washington. On the plane a Massachusetts businessman, the Attorney General said, had approached him.

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Bobby Kennedy

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"I don't trust your brother," said the businessman to the Attorney General.

"My brother, the President?" queried Bob.

"No, your brother Ted," was the reply. "And furthermore, you're all taking too much advice from Arthur."

"Arthur Schlesinger?" asked Bob.

"No, Arthur Goldberg," was the reply. "And you should take more advice from Rose."

"Alex Rose?" inquired Bob.

"No, your mother, Rose," snapped the businessman.

WHO IS ALEX ROSE? He is more than the leader of the Hatters, more than the leader of the New York State Liberal Party. To insiders he is a labor leaders' labor leader, a politicians' politico, and so much an inner strategist in the labor-Liberal-Democratic coalition that he has sweated through many a tactical crisis with President Kennedy's personal poll taker, Lou Harris.

Therefore I take quite seriously what Rose chooses to put on the record. Here, then, is specifically what he said, first on the platform and later in private conversation with this reporter:

"Bob Kennedy may need a hat one day to throw into the ring." Later Rose asserted after urging the Attorney General to wear a head covering, "After all, we had Franklin Roosevelt for 16 years.

"We may want 16 years of Kennedy."

In our private conversations, Rose said:

"Of course there's a Constitutional amendment against more than two terms. But eight years of John and then eight years of Bob—eight times two—that gives us 16 years of Kennedys."

I said something about this being a long way off.

"While this sounds," said Rose, "like a platform compliment to a guest speaker today, it sure can be a reality in the future. In eight years this country will be addicted to the Kennedys. Bob Kennedy will have such an energetic image and impact on the country that we feel he will make a fine President."

Bob Kennedy, after hearing Rose's "nominating" speech, grinned and said he'd better listen to the other Rose, his mother. But he did not say that the gracious lady believes she did not raise her other boy to be a President.

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Three Men in a Boat

"The three Kennedy brothers, Teddy, Bobby and the President, are in a boat that is sinking in mid-ocean.

"Question: Who would be saved? The answer to this rudimentary conundrum is: The country."

(Quoted by Marquis Childs in his syndicated column)

Joe Kennedy vs. HST

I have known Joseph P. Kennedy intimately for a long time, and have heard him dress down not only businessmen but Presidents as well. Old Joe has a scorching tongue and a poorly disguised contempt for those he doesn't admire.

JOE KENNEDY

Several years ago when Harry Truman was visiting Hialeah race course, Joe Kennedy didn't even bother to say "hello," although he sat within nodding distance of the former President.

"Why be that way, Joe?" I asked. "After all, he was our President."

Old Joe gave me one of those withering looks, and snapped, "Because I don't like the s. o. b., that's why."

—John S. Knight in the Detroit *Free Press.*

The Reticent Mr. R.

From the Chicago *Tribune*

We shall refer to the subject of this editorial only as Franklin D. R—,Jr., because [although we wouldn't have suspected it in a thousand years] he doesn't like publicity.

At least this is his reason for not paying income taxes on $18,615 which, according to tax agents, he received in 1958 as his share of the proceeds of the play, *Sunrise at Campobello*, based on the life of his late father, once a high government official. Mr. R. says that this money represented reimbursement for actual damages which he suffered through "loss of privacy" resulting from the play.

Inasmuch as Mr. R. has spent most of his life in a glare of personal and family publicity, campaigning for public office himself, being a press agent for such clients as the late Generalissimo Trujillo, and in general rushing away from privacy with all possible speed [as a number of traffic policemen can testify], we are profoundly surprised to learn of his distaste for the limelight. He must have led a most unhappy life.

Mr. R. describes the matter as a test case involving his whole family, from which we infer that his mother, brothers and sister all regarded the play as an imposition on their right of privacy [even though they agreed to accept $50 or $100 an hour for helping the author and that they all treated the income from it as nontaxable.]

We shall try to find a tear to shed for the publicity-shy Mr. R. and his obscurity-loving family. But meanwhile we're waiting for a handout from the press agents for Jayne Mansfield and Marilyn Monroe, pointing out that the poor girls have paid taxes on their salaries in spite of all the privacy they have sacrificed, and announcing that they are going to demand tax refunds.

Representative Frank T. Bow (R.-Ohio) suggests a new name for a Department of Urban Affairs and Housing: "The Department of Sundry, Lavish, Unusual and Socialistic Handouts (SLUSH). SLUSH, somehow, seems appropriate. . . ."

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A Child's Guide to the New Frontier

By BRUCE BARR

A is for ARTHUR GOLDBERG. He worked for a union. See him work for you? Can't you see? Look very, very hard.

B is for BOBBIE KENNEDY. See him play? He plays with things called "laws." See him chase the truck driver? Why can't he catch the truck driver? Be nice to Bobbie. He gets mad easy. He pushes people into swimming pools.

C is for CAROLINE. She is little, just like you. We don't pick on children.

D is for DOUGLAS DILLON. He is a nice man. He is nice to everybody. He always was nice to everybody. Some people wondered why he always was nice to everybody. Now they know why.

E is for ESTES. Don't call him Estes. Call him Billie Sol. Some people call him other things. Look in your clothes. Does the label say Nieman-Marcus? Tear it out. Better check your winter clothes also.

F is for FREEMAN. See Orville jump? See Orville run? What is Orville jumping and running from?

G is for GALBRAITH. John Kenneth has funny ideas. Hear his funny ideas? Where did his funny ideas come from? Maybe his mommy was scared by a small businessman.

H is for HODGES. Luther should help business. Do you see him help business? See him help cotton? See him help tobacco? Why doesn't he help business?

I is for INTERIOR DEPARTMENT. They have lots of fun. They chase statues. They chase Park Police chiefs. Now they are chasing football teams. Don't they have fun?

J is for J. EDWARD DAY. He made a mistake once. He wrote that socialized medicine is no damn good. He shouldn't have wrote that. Now they wash his mouth out with soap every day.

K is for the KING. He is very powerful. He is very strong. Don't ever say He was elected. He likes to think He was coronated.

L is for LYNDON. We must be nice to Lyndon. He is very sad. He isn't asked to speak anymore. He isn't interviewed anymore. His name isn't on teevee much anymore. Ask him for his autograph. It will make him feel better. Tell him Billie Sol sent you.

M is for MC NAMARA. He is a magician. He can do tricks. Remember the "missile-gap?" He did a good trick. He made the "missile-gap" go away. He said it was easy. Why was it easy?

N is for NEWBURGH, N. Y. This is a bad place. Bad people live here. They say you can't get more free money just for having more babies. Scowl everytime you say Newburgh.

O is for O'BRIEN. His first name is Larry. He gives away jobs. They are schedule-C jobs and pay $16,500 a year. Go see Larry and maybe he will give you a job. Be sure and wear your Kennedy-Johnson button. Scratch it up a little bit. Make it look well-used.

P is for PIERRE. See Pierre huff? See Pierre puff? See Pierre huff and puff to Russia? See Khrushchev huff and puff at Pierre? Maybe they will come to your house and heat it for the winter.

Q is for the QUEEN. See her water-ski? See her go to church in her sandals? See her fall off the horse? Don't say anything about these things. People will think you're disrespectful.

R is for RIBICOFF. Do you play doctor? Do you play nurse? Don't play doctor or nurse around Mr. Ribicoff. He will break your stethescope in two.

S is for SCHLESINGER. Arthur is very smart. He has read lots of books. He reads so much he needs glasses. His glasses are tinted but we can't mention what color.

T is for the HERALD TRIBUNE. See the pretty newspaper? See the funny stories? Isn't it funny about James T. Ralph? About Jerry Holleman? About Emery Jacobs? About William Morris? About —where did the pretty paper go?

U is for UDALL. His first name is Stewart. See his funny mouth? See his funny foot? Can you do what he's doing?

V is for VICTORY. Be very careful about this word. Don't say it in front of these men. If you say it by mistake, be sure and run very fast. If you don't, they'll catch you and stamp "censored" across your mouth.

W is for WALTER. Call him Mr. Heller and he'll feel nice. He was called some other names once long ago. He told another country how to get rich. They called him bad names and sent him home. They did the opposite of what he told them. Now they are rich. (One of the names was *Dumkopf.*)

X is for X. Like in literacy tests. See the men argue? They're all in the same party. It's called the Democratic party. Why do they argue? Why do they swear at each other? Why aren't they friends?

Y is for YOUTH. See the kiddies play? See the kiddies travel? They're called Peace Corpsmen. See the free beer the government gives them? Why can't the Army get free beer? Or the Navy? Or the Air Force?

Z is for ZOO. That's where we've been.

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'God Governs the Affairs of Men'

Benjamin Franklin and Public Prayer

By WALTER TROHAN

ON JUNE 28, 1787, the venerable Benjamin Franklin rose in the constitutional convention to make a moving plea for public prayer. The convention had been in session for more than a month without making much progress, although members had gone back into history for models of government. They reviewed governments existing in that day without finding a model.

"In this situation of this assembly, groping as it were in the dark to find political truth, and scarce able to distinguish it when presented to us, how has it happened, sir, that we have not hitherto once thought of humbly applying to the Father of Lights to illuminate our understandings?" asked Franklin, who was not considered a religious man. "In the beginning of the contest with Great Britain, when we were sensible to danger, we had daily prayers in this room for divine protection.

"Our prayers, sir, were heard, and they were graciously answered. All of us who were engaged in the struggle must have observed frequent instances of a superintending Providence in our favor. To that kind Providence we owe this happy opportunity of consulting in peace on the means of establishing our future national felicity. And have we now forgotten that powerful friend? Or do we imagine that we no longer need His assistance? I have lived, sir, a long time, and the longer I live, the more convincing proofs I see of this truth—that God governs the affairs of men.

AND IF A SPARROW cannot fall to the ground without His notice, is it probable an empire can rise without His aid? We have been assured, sir, in the sacred writings that except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it.

"I firmly believe this; and I also believe that without this concurring aid we shall succeed in this political building no better than the builders of Babel: We shall be divided by our partial little local interests; our projects will be confounded and we ourselves shall become a byword down the future ages. And what is worse, mankind may hereafter, from this unfortunate instance, despair of establishing governments by human wisdom and leave it to chance, war and conquest."

Franklin proposed and Edmund Randolph of Virginia moved for the adoption of daily prayers. In the discussion there was regret that such a commendable resolution had not been introduced at the beginning of the convention, but some concern that action at so late a date might bring on "some disagreeable animadversions."

Adjournment came before there could be any vote on the motion. Yet the motion is a forerunner of the daily prayers at the opening of sessions of the Senate and House, the Supreme Court, inaugurations and other official assemblages.

This week the constitution Franklin and Randolph helped to fashion has been interpreted by the Supreme Court, thru processes of legalistic reasoning which citizens find difficult to follow, as barring prayers at the opening of classes in public schools. Although the intent of the decision was to draw a sharp line between church and state, the practical result has been to invite a field day for politico-religious demagogery.

Seldom has a court decision so aroused the nation. However, it has been difficult even for those most outraged by the court's decision to attack the court as wrong on prayer because if they repudiate the court as wrong in this instance, they raise the specter of error on the question of integration to the comfort of supporters of segregation in the south.

PRESIDENT KENNEDY HIMSELF, while saying the court must be supported, suggested "a very easy remedy" for the court's action, which carried a strong implication of disapproval. One does not seek remedies for noble actions. Mr. Kennedy suggested more prayer at home and more church attendance.

Some view the outlawing of school prayer as an act of liberation on the part of the court, banning forced participation in prayer and thus making prayer more individual, voluntary and devout. These people don't carry liberation too far, however, because they are in the van of those who argue everyone must pay taxes before they are due, pay for insurance whether or not he wants it, be subjected to crop and acreage controls on his own lands and comply with other Federal regulation and control.

Winchell to Resign

Reprinted from the June 20 issue of *Variety*

Walter Winchell, who's been feuding with his own King Features Syndicate, told *Variety* today (Tues.) he has decided to resign as columnist both for the New York *Mirror* and KFS and that he's sending his resignation to Richard Berlin, head of the Hearst papers.

Winchell said his decision was prompted by King Features' allegedly killing a number of his items in his syndicated column. "I saw the column come in (to the Los Angeles *Herald-Examiner*) with all these kills. I am confused," he said adding "someone elected to make me duller than I am." He said he is contacting Senator Javits (R.-N.Y.) and his congressman to ask for an investigation of why news about Communists is allegedly killed.

WW said his editors on the *Mirror* have given him latitude, but accused the *Herald-Examiner* of killing all items about Communists. King Features, he charged, killed five paragraphs about alleged Communists around JFK, although he contended they had been cleared by the *Mirror's* legal department....

SOVIET HUMOR—"A man explains to a friend that Russian scholars have discovered that Adam and Eve were Soviet citizens. 'It was just a matter of deduction. They had no clothes to wear. They had only one apple between them. And yet they kept insisting they were in paradise.' "(Barron's Business and Financial Weekly)

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Indifference Is a Crime

By Senator Wallace F. Bennett (R.-Utah)

The dictators of the world, both the Communist and the Fascist varieties, find the existence of opposition intolerable. They believe it weakens a government. But we who live in a free society know that an effective opposition strengthens a government instead of weakening it.

Opposition should never be frowned upon or deplored. Winston Churchill, in moving a vote of censure against the Labor government in 1945, put it this way: "The Government reproach us with making their task more difficult, but what do they expect? Can we, with our convictions, as honorable men, as a great party in the State, afford, for the sake of appearances of unity, to acquiesce in a destructive downward trend in all our affairs at home and abroad? Are we not bound in honor to give our warnings in good time about the future, and to record our censure on the present?"

"Would we not be blameworthy before history if we sat supine and silent, while one folly and neglect is piled on top of another, and much that we fought for together is lost or frittered away?"

Because of the importance of criticism and opposition, the Athenian lawmaker Solon decreed it a crime for the citizens to shrink from controversy. Today, when conformity seems to be the watchword of many Americans, we should remember that we can strengthen our government by pointing out its errors. This must be done constructively, and it must be done in an informed manner.

But we must do it, if we are to fulfill our responsibilities as citizens.

Court's Ruling Is 'Untimely, Unfortunate'

On this week's HUMAN EVENTS *Congressional Interview,* Representative Durward G. Hall (R.-Mo.) evaluates the recent Supreme Court ruling prohibiting prayers in public schools, terming the decision, "untimely, unfortunate, and an ill conceived judgment."

Dr. Hall, a freshman in Congress from Missouri's 7th District, states in the interview: "The founders of our nation wanted to keep the state out of religion, but not religion out of the state." He contends, "If we must take down from beneath the clock in the Senate Chamber the words 'In God We Trust,' or if we prohibit prayers in our public schools, we are playing into the hands of the people who would bury us."

Dr. Hall explains what the American people can do, above and beyond writing their congressmen, to defeat the effect of this decision. Ministers, school board members and educators are especially urged to hear this interview.

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The Gospel According to John

From the Savannah (Tenn.) *Courier*

NOW IT CAME TO PASS that in those days there was a great king whose name was John. He was rich and powerful and good and he was held in awe by his subjects who knew and feared his great power.

And there were in those days great steel mills in the land of King John, and the yeomen who toiled in the mills went forthwith to the owners and said: "Verily, we need more coin that our standard of living might be improved."

"Thus it shall be," said the owners, and they did grant the raise, and on studying the subject of profit and loss, did increase the price of their product. This they did without consulting the king, because they were old and unwise and knew not that free enterprise was no longer practiced in the land.

On hearing of the acts of the mill owners the king waxed wroth and he did wave his wand and thunder rolled over the house that was white.

Seeing the storm and fearing that lightning would strike and split the mills asunder the old men who were unwise withdrew the price increase and returned to their tribes mumbling one to another: "Verily, the king is great, and henceforth must not be made to anger."

NOW LIKEWISE in their days there was a Kroger store in Indianapolis which is in the province of Indiana. And it came to pass that the store did reduce the price of milk, thus to expand their trade and put more food into the mouths of babes.

But all the king's men did hear of this vile deed and straightway went forth from the house that was white and they did say unto the knaves: "Knowest thou the wishes of the king; hold thou the price or suffer disfavor in the eyes of the king." And the men of Kroger did resist, for they knew not the power of King John. But they did learn and must wander 40 years in the wilderness.

And in those days likewise there were railroad companies which had won the West and were much beloved. Each county through which the rails ran received great taxes there from and this did bring joy to the publicans and tax collectors.

Now it came to pass that the owners of the rails were unwise also, for they did ask servants of the king to allow them to reduce the price of freight, the better to serve more subjects of the king and improve the standard of living of all the tribes. "What?" cried the king's men, "Know ye not that this would be an abomination to the king? Hold, thou, the line; go and sin no more."

And in the city of Chicago where many great caravans go each day to display their wares a rich and powerful man did own a huge building which was called the Merchandise Mart. In this great place makers of many goods did display their wares. And one day the owner did say: "Those who use the stalls must pay more rent."

And they did pay, and the servants of the king came not—for he was father of the king.

Now the country of which we write was in a faraway land, and was rich and great; and the land was known by all as Humpty Dumpty. But that was long ago, and all the king's horses and all the king's men cannot put Humpty-Dumpty together again.

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The Attraction of a Hot Stove

From the Chicago *Tribune*

WHEN THE CONVICTED Soviet spy, Dr. Robert Soblen, jumped bail the other day and scurried off to Israel, among those left holding the bag on his forfeited $100,000 bail was Mrs. Helen Lehman Buttenwieser of New York. Mrs. Buttenwieser put up $60,000 of the cash upon the urging of George G. Kirstein, publisher of *The Nation*, a liberal weekly, who agreed to reimburse her for half the amount if Soblen ran out.

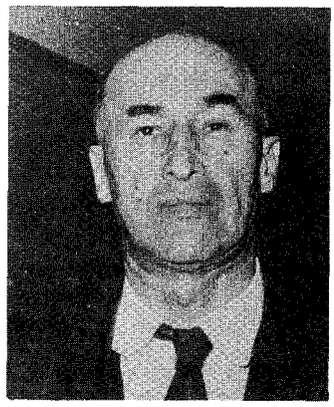
Although this arrangement implicitly recognized that a Soviet spy is not a good risk, Mrs. Buttenwieser said she was willing to take the chance out of high-minded motives. She contends that, as one who is interested in civil liberties, she felt it unjust that the poor are unable to get bail, while the rich and members of gangster syndicates have no trouble. She also bemoaned that defendants in unpopular cases—such as Red espionage—are unable to get bondsmen to post bail.

So, though she says she never met Soblen or his wife, she put up $60,000 of her own money. In return, Soblen, a psychiatrist who came to the United States from Lithuania in 1941, gave her *The Life of Sigmund Freud* for Christmas, which may now console her, or at least serve to explain some of her own promptings.

The oddest of these is a marked affinity for persons in the Communist spy apparatus. Mrs. Buttenwieser was also a friend and patron of Alger Hiss, the New Deal State Department official who turned over secret government documents to Soviet agents.

Hiss was convicted of perjury in 1950 and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. Before his comedown, he had been president of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.

DURING THE HISS TRIAL, Mrs. Buttenwieser was in constant attendance. Her law firm allotted quarters to Hiss' lawyer. One of Hiss' sons stayed at her home during the trial. It was there that Hiss and his wife, Priscilla, repaired after the jury reported a verdict of guilty. Hiss was in her law office when he received news that he had been disbarred in consequence of his conviction.



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MRS. BUTTENWIESER

Mrs. Buttenwieser is the niece of Herbert Lehman, former New Deal governor of New York, later a United States Senator. Her husband, Benjamin Buttenwieser, a member of the investment banking firm of Kuhn, Loeb, was assistant United States High Commissioner for Germany during the American occupation. When Hiss first came under suspicion, Senator Lehman wrote him a letter saying "how much I sympathize with you in your difficult position" and expressing "complete confidence in your loyalty."

What is there in the mentality of these liberals that they turn out to be such soft touches? Maybe it is as Hiss' accuser, the late Whittaker Chambers, explained, that the New Deal was "a genuine revolution"; that it attracted Communist revolutionists, who knew what they were doing, as well as amateur revolutionists, who only half knew what they were doing; and that, in a common purpose, the two kinds of revolutionists were at one.

"For," said Chambers, "men who could not see what they firmly believed was liberalism added up to socialism, could scarcely be expected to see what added up to communism."

To be burnt by Hiss was not enough. When Soblen came along, the liberal Mrs. Buttenwieser couldn't resist the tempation to touch the stove again to see if it was hot.

FREEMAN'S FORMULA—"Free enterprise is an unsatisfactory alternative to government regulation for solving the farm problem." Statement by Agriculture Secretary Orville Freeman in a speech at a Midwest regional agricultural convention in Chicago. **(Quoted by Representative William Harsha, Jr., Ohio Republican)**

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"Republics fall, when the wise are banished from the public councils, because they dare to be honest, and the profligate are rewarded because they flatter the people in order to betray them."—**Supreme Court Justice Joseph Story.**

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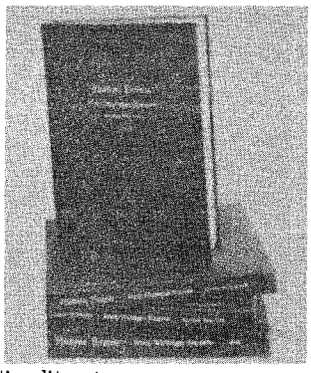

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